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Of the Right Honourable
Lords Spiritual & Temporal
In Parliament Assemiled,
Presented to
HIS MAJESTY
The Seventh Day of *March*, 1694.

AND
His Majesties
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IT is Ordered by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, That the Address of this House, Presented to His Majesty Yesterday at Kensington, and His Majesties most Gracious Answer thereunto, shall be forthwith Printed and Published: And that the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of England, do Appoint the same accordingly.

Matth. Johnson,
Cler' Parliamentor'

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 Lords Spiritual and Temporal
 In PARLIAMENT Assembled.

Die Sabbathi 2°. Martij, 1694.



E the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, having Resolved by the Unanimous Vote of this House, That the Sending so great a Fleet into the *Mediterranean*, and Continuing it in those Parts, has been to the Honour and Advantage of Your Majesty and Your Kingdoms ; and having Spent some Time upon Consideration of the Condition of the Fleet both at Home and Abroad, and of the great Encrease of the Naval Force and Strength of our Neighbours, Conceive it to be our Duty to Your Majesty and the Kingdom, Humbly to Represent, That the Honour and Safety of this Nation, under the Providence of God, chiefly Depends upon Your Strength at Sea. And whereas, by the

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long Continuance of this War, the Number of Your Ships must have been Diminished, and those Remaining greatly Impaired, We think it of the highest Importance to Your Majesties Service, and the Security and Interest of Your People, That You would be Pleased to Give such Speedy and Effectual Directions for the Repair and Encrease of Your Royal Navy, as may Enable Your Majesty, not only to Continue a Strength in the *Mediterranean* during this War, which may be Superiour to that of our Enemies, but likewise to Maintain such a Force here at Home, and in the *West-Indies*, as shall be a Security for our Coasts and Plantations, and a Protection of our Trade, and Sufficient both for the Annoying of our Enemies, and for the Protecting and Convoying all such Stores and Provisions as must be Sent to the Fleet in those Parts; upon the Effectual and Timely Providing whereof, the Safety of that Part of Your Majesties Navy does so much Depend.

To which His Majesty was pleased to Return a most Gracious Answer, to the Effect following:

I Am very Sensible how much Our Safety depends upon Our Strength at Sea, and therefore cannot but Desire the Encrease of it.

And I shall not be Wanting to do what is in My Power, as to the Matters mentioned in your Address.

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